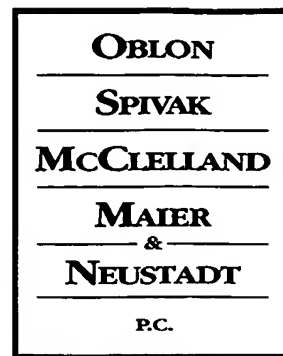




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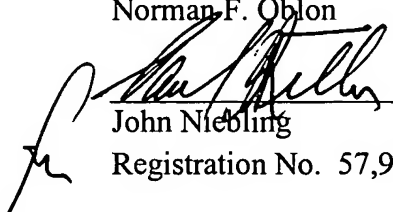
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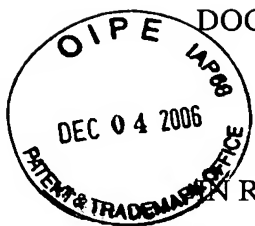
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In response to the Restriction Requirement dated November 2, 2006, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group 2, Claims 5, 6, 8 and 9 drawn to a method which comprises treating a surface with an antifouling detergent.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Support for the Amendments begins on page 6 of this paper.

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